Air Quality Division



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What air quality regulations do gasoline station owners and gasoline tanker truck drivers have to comply with?

Within the state of Michigan, gasoline stations and tanker truck owners and drivers must operate in compliance with Stage I vapor recovery in seven southeast Michigan counties and the three metropolitan areas of Flint, Grand Rapids, and Lansing. The seven southeast Michigan counties are: Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, and Wayne.

Stage I vapor recovery is returning gasoline vapors from the underground or aboveground gasoline storage tanks being filled into the tanker truck that is being emptied. The tanker truck returns the vapors to the terminal where they can be recovered as gasoline or combusted. Tankers that haul gasoline to the stations subject to the Stage I requirements have to be tested annually to insure they do not leak.

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For further information, read the "What You Should Know About Vapor Recovery" booklet. The booklet is designed to help gasoline station owners and tanker truck drivers understand the Stage 1 vapor recovery requirements which reduce emissions during the loading of gasoline storage tanks. For more information on Stage I vapor recovery requirements and to access the booklet, go to www.michigan.gov/deqair, click on "Clean Air Assistance" and scroll down to "Stage I."

For questions regarding vapor testing of tanker trucks and certification as required by Rule 627 of the Michigan Air Pollution Control Rules, contact Keshav Singh at 800-662-9278 or Email at singhk@michigan.gov.

Stage II vapor recovery (recovering gasoline vapors from the loading of vehicle tanks at the fuel pump) is not a requirement in Michigan.